

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

ROBERT LOUGH,

Plaintiff,

v.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT  
OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES,  
et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:20-CV-05894-LK

ORDER INVITING APPLICATION  
FOR APPOINTMENT OF  
COUNSEL AND DIRECTING  
PARTIES TO MEET AND CONFER

This matter comes before the Court on remand from the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. On July 18, 2022, this Court adopted the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge David W. Christel, denied Plaintiff Robert Lough's motion for partial summary judgment, and granted Defendants' cross-motion for summary judgment on all of Mr. Lough's claims. Dkt. No. 110. The Ninth Circuit reversed. Dkt. No. 119. Although Mr. Lough's objections were nearly four months late and did not challenge Judge Christel's ruling on his First Amendment retaliation claim, *see* Dkt. No. 105, the Ninth Circuit found that "a genuine



20Order%20re%20Civil%20Cases\_.pdf. Furthermore, should the parties desire to engage in mediation, they must provide proposed dates for mediation and inform the Court as to whether they desire appointment of a mediator. *See* LCR 39.1(c)(3)–(4); Request for Pro Bono Mediation Form, <https://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/sites/wawd/files/RequestforProBonoMediation.pdf>.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2023.



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Lauren King  
United States District Judge